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Besides presenting information, the purpose of the many functional and creative social studies activities is to motivate and educate students in kindergarten through grade eight. Chapter 1 of this document provides an overview of perspectives on social studies. Chapter 2 focuses on geography and provides an extensive variety of basic information, maps, and activities. Chapter 3 discusses global and multicultural education and presents a list of 32 global education references and resources, 26 global education activities, 11 multicultural education activities, and an extensive list of children's books to aid in the development of units on multicultural education. Heritage is the theme in chapter 4 that discusses issues and provides extensive activities regarding the Pledge of Allegiance, the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution, facts about the United States, the United States going to war and Native American populations in 1492. Chapter 5 describes voices from the past through primary sources. Chapter 6 looks at how to enrich social studies instruction through music, folklore, art, literacy development, special days, and effective use of classroom bulletin boards. Chapter 7 highlights several years in history and provides applications for teaching history as a daily event. (CK)

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